



FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 2000 (house committee printing) by adding  
2 the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and  
3 renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

4 SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Chapter 447, Government Code, is amended by  
5 adding Section 447.014 to read as follows:

6 Sec. 447.014. ENERGY EFFICIENCY, NATURAL GAS CONSERVATION,  
7 AND WATER CONSERVATION LOAN PROGRAM. (a) Using money available  
8 from the state utilities reliability fund established under Chapter  
9 202, Utilities Code, the comptroller and the State Energy  
10 Conservation Office jointly by rule shall establish and administer  
11 a program that issues or guarantees loans to be used for  
12 improvements that increase the energy efficiency of and promote  
13 conservation of natural gas and water by residences and businesses  
14 that are not newly constructed.

15 (b) The rules adopted under this section must establish  
16 eligibility requirements for receipt of a loan issued or guaranteed  
17 under the program, including emissions reduction  
18 cost-effectiveness criteria.

19 (c) The State Energy Conservation Office annually shall  
20 submit to the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the Energy  
21 Systems Laboratory of the Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station  
22 a report that:

23 (1) evaluates the effectiveness of the program; and  
24 (2) quantifies energy savings and emissions  
25 reductions that result from the program for consideration in the  
26 state implementation plan, as described by Section 382.0173, Health  
27 and Safety Code, for emissions reduction credits.